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NEWS LETTER FROM EDMONTON

(C. H. Stout, Edmonton)

Edmonton, June 1.—Political signboards may be carrying prophecies that loyalist and insurgent forces will go into camp along the Saskatchewan on June 7 with bugles sounding a note of general harmony but it may be forecast with much accuracy that the assembly breach in social credit ranks has widened rather than diminished during the session recess, and a house battle of bitter intensity will be staged when Aberhart's legislators foregather.

No commentator is in a position to even predict with any degree of certainty whether Premier Aberhart will succeed in breaking up the revolt or that insurgents will block the government budget and force another compromise. Loyalists claim to have made definite headway within the last two weeks with social credit groups in various parts of the province pressing their members to drop differences and back the premier. Insurgents will probably ignore the majority of these admonitions on the ground that the moves have been "organized" by government supporters and do not therefore represent the bulk of opinion in the respective ridings.

Probably never before has a house convened under a thicker haze of uncertainty. Administrative functions of the government have practically been abandoned for the time being. Cabinet ministers have been on a barn storming campaign endeavoring to swing electors back into government channels and thereby whip anti-Aberhart members into line. Another election campaign has been virtually under way. Taxes are rolling into the treasury at the very peak of the annual collection period but public expenditure has literally been at a standstill. Highway construction and maintenance work has been either not begun or called off. Until the first of July at the earliest Albertans may as well resign themselves to a period of political stagnation as far as constructive activities are concerned. What the situation offers however in political speculation and excitement may be a measure of compensation for those who argue on street corners instead of using the roads.

Reported decision of Major C. H. Douglas to send out a select committee of social credit to study the Alberta situation and possibly advise the social credit "board", all at the government's expense it is claimed, has set tongues wagging everywhere. Insurgents are openly wondering just what it all means. Government leaders are keeping rather mum about the deal which L. MacLachlan, social credit board chairman, made with Major Douglas while in London, and other members of the board who dash in and out of Edmonton two or three times weekly for meetings, have announced that contents of the cables received from Mr. MacLachlan will not be published until the chairman returns from overseas. This probably will be soon after the legislative files in from recess on June 7th.

Recent dismissals from the civil service of ex-service men has stirred returned soldier ranks through the province a protest meeting in Edmonton last week drawing several hundred men who unanimously adopted a resolution asking for preference for returned men in the civil service for written reasons when any dismissal was made, for immediate reinstatement of veterans recently "fired," failing which a royal inquiry be initiated into the cases of all returned men forced out by the government. Premier Aberhart agreed to meet the returned men's committee early this week but he and other cabinet ministers declined to attend the ex-soldiers' mass meeting.

Threats of an early election issued from numerous platforms by Mr. Aberhart apparently made an impression on the public mind for it is obvious that no class or party wants a campaign thrust into their hands right now. Although it would appear that no dissolution would be granted by the lieutenant governor under present circumstances, the threat of the government leader has kept interest in the session at fever pitch. Practically all authorities agree that defeat on the floor of the house by his own members would not give Mr. Aberhart the privilege of appealing

KINSELLA KERNELS

Mrs. J. O'Grady of Washington and Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong and Elizabeth Ann of B. C., are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. G. Lee.

Mrs. J. Murray and Mr. J. F. Murray spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Huse at Gadsby.

The monthly meeting of the Kinsella Ladies' Aid will be held in the church on Thursday, June 10th. Miss Syson and Mrs. Taylor will act as hostesses.

Mr. Jack Corbett, who has been working in Detroit for some time, returned to his home last Wednesday.

Mr. Dave Corbett left for a vacation at Windsor, Ont., and other eastern points.

Mr. Roy Granger spent a few days at Galahad last week.

Viking - Wainwright Teachers' Association

The Viking-Wainwright district of the Alberta Teachers' association will hold its annual rally on Saturday, June 12th, at 2:30 p.m., in the parish hall, at Viking. This will be a very interesting gathering as the following speakers are expected to attend: Dr. M. E. LaZerte, of the University of Alberta, who is president of the Alberta association; Mr. A. L. Doucette, B. Sc., of Camrose normal school; Inspector L. B. Yule of Vegreville, and Mr. J. A. Smith, geographic representative. All teachers belonging to this district association kindly keep this date in mind.

NEWS ITEMS FROM JARROW

Mrs. Lois Koll and her little boy, Forrest, left for the Peace River country last Monday morning, where Mr. Koll hereafter will reside.

A little baby boy was born at the Viking hospital last Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. William Matthews.

Mrs. Barton and daughter, Pat, left on the flier Tuesday morning for Vancouver to join her husband who left Jarrold for that city about six weeks ago.

Mr. Barton has been permitted by the post office department to have a leave of absence for six months.

During Mr. Barton's absence Mr. Michell Wilkinson has been appointed acting post-master.

Mr. Barton has been greatly troubled with his eyes lately and is now seeking the best eye specialist. We hope he will soon find relief.

It is estimated that the world's production of steel last year amounted to 110,000,000 tons, as compared with 76,700,000 tons in 1913 and 67,900,000 tons in 1933, according to the Industrial Department of the C.N.R. The leading producers, in order, were the U. S. A., Germany and Great Britain.

his case to the electors. It is understood that proper representations would be made to the lieutenant governor proposing that another leader be named and in this case the house would merely carry on with another set of ministers on treasury row.

During the present week it is anticipated that the Alberta supreme court will have handed down a judgment on the appeal registered by the government against the ruling of Mr. Justice Ewing that the reduction and settlement of debts legislation of 1933 was ultra vires. Legal authorities in the capital city are almost unanimously of the opinion that the appellate division will uphold the decision of Judge Ewing. Meanwhile it is reported that the Maynard bill still on the house order paper, has been pulled back for revisions. This measure proposed a slash of fifty per cent in private debts principal, where the debts were contracted prior to July 1, 1932. Eminent legal minds have ventured an opinion that this bill would be of no force and effect outside of the province and therefore would merely work a severe hardship on persons within the province.

This week the political spotlight turns on the Alberta Liberal convention in Calgary where a new party leader will be chosen during the two-day assembly, June 4 and 5. It is reasonably certain, Liberals agree, that E. L. Gray, Brooks, formerly deputy minister of municipal affairs, will be endorsed by the delegates.

TRAIN TRACKS and CAR TRAILS

By Tom

Enroute Rockford, Ill., May 22—

Writing any kind of a connected story while on tour is a bigger job than I anticipated. In fact those who have taken similar trips know that it is difficult to even settle down to mail a few post cards. But I started something and there must be a finish to a trip and a story.

In Windsor we had to wait an extra day for delivery of our car, but the time was well worth while, and we busied ourselves looking up and visiting some former Vikings now resident in Windsor and Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan. Barrow took us through the tunnel to Detroit for my first look at the city that Ford made famous. It's an immense city and thousands of people hurrying somewhere. The car traffic is also a sight to remember. It seemed to me that people never rested. The evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Keenan. Mrs. Keenan is the former Miss Adgie Harris, and Mrs. Barrow the former Miss Mildred Bishop, both of Viking. During our two short stay in Detroit we were guests of the Keenans, and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bremner. Mr. Bremner spent a vacation in Viking at the home of Mr. Harris farm home about five years ago and he told of many pleasant recollections of the good people he met while there. Jack is certainly a good scout himself. His wife is the former Miss "Took" Harris. George and Jack showed me much of the city in a limited time. Thanks, boys.

Wednesday was spent sight-seeing in Detroit and the evening at the home of Mrs. O'Leary, well known as one of the early pioneer women of Viking district. Here we met Misses Hildred and Irene, and Johnny O'Leary, and Joe Sullivan. All were in good health and pleased with their city surroundings. We cannot forget their warm and hearty welcome. Johnny has grown up into a fine young man and has a good position with the Ford Co.

I called at the Detroit Trust Co. building to see Bruce Collier but was disappointed when he was not in. Cryslar Hilliker was another Vikingite I failed to see, but both are doing well in Detroit. Numbered among the Vikings going in Detroit are Mrs. J. Barnes (Miss Mary Sullivan) and Miss Eileen Sullivan, and several

others I cannot recall at the moment.

On Thursday our car was ready. I pressed Mr. Keenan into service as chauffeur to drive the car from Windsor to Detroit as the traffic was bewildering to me. While at the Windsor Ford dealers Mr. Kilnoff and Dr. and Mrs. Gold of Vegreville took delivery of their car to drive home. It was like meeting somebody from your own home town. I hope they had a safe journey home.

Guided by Mr. Keenan we pushed off from the business section of Detroit early Friday morning in a downpour of rain. When he left us to the tender mercies of the elements and the morning traffic I felt like a shipwrecked sailor looking for something to cling to. I was just a speck among thousands of others, and a small speck at that. It makes the city to remove any idea of self-importance out of one. I breathed easier when I finally saw we were on the right highway bound for Ypsilante, Mich., our first stop, 29 miles distant. The rain had ceased when we reached Ypsilante and from there on it was nice going as our maps were clearly marked.

The state of Michigan is certainly scenic. Having to drive slowly in order to "break in" the car right was to our advantage. We crossed the State, passing through Dearborn, Ann Arbor, Jackson, Burlington, Union City, Three Rivers, Niles, Three Oaks and many smaller towns, stopping at New Buffalo, a summer resort, for the night. Rising early next morning we drove into Gary, Indiana, 38 miles, and had our car serviced for the 300-mile service. Gary is a growing manufacturing city, practically a suburb of Chicago, 30 miles west.

Our route took us south of Chicago to avoid the heavy traffic, through Hammond, Indiana, Chicago Heights, Elgin, Rockland, Belvidere, Marengo, and our next stop, Rockford, Illinois.

The highways are well marked all through Michigan and Illinois, and to say the least our route was most picturesque. Most of the highways have four lanes, two lanes for traffic each way. And they are needed. Built of concrete they have certainly ideal and a new and pleasant experience. I drive on, I kept to the outer lanes where all the "slow" cars move. With cars whizzing by at 70 to 80 miles per hour, I felt like the proverbial snail. More anon.

Sports of All Sorts.

The Tulsa girls who hope to take back with them the Underwood basketball trophy, appear to be the classiest female athletes to visit the Alberta capital in a long time. This Thursday night and on Saturday also fans will have a chance to see games worth going a long way. The Dunlop girl dashes about the floor with lightning speed. She is simply a wonder.

Australia was expected to provide real competition for the U.S. in Davis cup tennis. But the boys from the land of the kangaroo made a terrible exhibition. After the long journey, illness struck and destroyed any chances of them winning. The games were hardly a good work-out for the Budge and Makin combination.

170,000 people saw the great auto race at Indianapolis. For 500 miles Wilbur Shaw drove his car without a hitch and finished in 4:24, to break all records. The finish was remarkably close for within ten seconds Ralph Hepburn followed Shaw. The strain on machine and human must be terrific in such a race.

The showing of the Germans in the French tennis tournament indicates they will be contenders for world honors. Heinrich Henkel won the singles by beating Bunny Austin. Hilda Krahwinkel Sperling took the women's title, and a German couple took the doubles as well.

The baseball world was shocked at the "bean ball" which cracked the skull of Mickey Cochrane like an egg shell. The wild throw was probably an accident. Yet one wonders how a pitcher can shell a ball within an inch of the spot indicated by the catcher, and then follow it with a wild pitch that would do credit to a clay pigeon trap. Cochrane is on the

United Church Notes

The Rev. Edward Longmire has accepted the invitation extended to him by the pulp supply committee to become the pastor of the Irma pastoral charge. For the past five years Mr. Longmire has been settled at Crossfield and previous to then at Careland, in the Calgary Presbytery. The churches he has served have all made steady progress under his ministry and he comes to Irma as a man of ripe experience, sound judgment and a friendly disposition. He will give of his best in his pulp ministry, in visitation, and in the social activities of the church.

The pastor has been placed by the settlement committee at Nordegg, in the Red Deer Presbytery. Nordegg is a mining town, situated amid beautiful scenery in the Rocky Mountains.

A fine spirit pervaded the conference sessions at Calgary this year, and there were large congregations out to the evening meetings. For the Ordination service, Wesley church was over-crowded to the doors. Three young men were ordained and one lady W.M.S. missionary was dedicated for service in China. Almost all the reports showed progress and a spirit of hopefulness regarding the future.

Services next Sunday, June 6th—Albert—11 a.m.
Alma Mater—3 p.m.
Irma—8 p.m.

ALBERT DISTRICT NOTES

Mrs. C. Parker, Mrs. W. Parker and children, and Roger Parker, all of Ardrossan, spent a recent week-end with Mrs. D. H. Currie.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Clelland left on Monday night for a five weeks' holiday in Eastern Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Comrie and family of Edmonton visited with the Hay and Comrie families over the week-end.

Edith Jones and her uncle, W. Williams, who, for the past six months have been holidaying in Wales and England, have returned.

Happy Hikers and their invited guests had a "marshmallow roast" in the school yard on Tuesday night. A good time was reported.

J.D. Rockefeller Passes at 98

Aged Financier Succumbs Peacefully at His Florida Home

Falling short of the century mark which he had set for himself, John D. Rockefeller Sr., who began life as a farmer's son and founded one of the world's biggest fortunes, died in his 98th year on Sunday, May 23, at his home in Florida.

His death was unexpected as he had been in comparatively good health and was due to sclerotic myocarditis, a hardening of the heart muscles. None of his immediate family were present. Rockefeller who would have been 98 on July 8, had expressed confidence in recent years that he would live to be a hundred.

Plans were made to return the body to the Rockefeller estate at Pocantico Hills, Tarrytown, New York, for funeral services, attended only by members of the family. Burial will be in Cleveland where he began his career as a \$4.50 a week bookkeeper's assistant in 1855.

Rockefeller's career described an almost perfect arc. At the age of 16 he began with nothing. He was paid \$50 for his first three months' work as assistant bookkeeper in a produce commission warehouse. By the time he had reached middle age, he had amassed what many persons believed to be the largest fortune ever controlled by a private individual. He had founded the Standard Oil trust and at the height of his career controlled 33 oil companies, mines and mills, influenced the policies of hundreds of corporations and was a heavy stockholder in trunk line railways.

At the age of 57 he began to retire from active business life and started giving money away. In 35 years he gave away considerably more than half a billion dollars, transferred much of his holdings to John D. Rockefeller Jr., and died leaving what a family spokesman said would be a

FIRST ANNUAL SPORTS MEET

The first sports meet under the auspices of the Viking-Wainwright District Teachers' Association was held in Irma on Saturday, May 29th. The first part of the day was cold and showery but the weather cleared in the afternoon and all events were pulled off on time before a fairly large crowd.

The competition at this meet was in baseball, softball and basketball games.

Of the eleven cups the Irma schools won seven, the high school winning four and the public school three. Viking won a cup for boys' softball, Wainwright a cup for girls' softball and Poplar Hill school won the other two cups, one for softball and one for basketball, both rural school events.

Following is a summary of the day's events:

Baseball
Wainwright vs. Viking: Viking vs. Irma; Irma 10-1. The trophy for this event was presented by North-western Utilities.

High Schools Boys' Softball
Viking vs. Irma; Viking vs. Wainwright; Viking 10-3. Viking business men's trophy.

High Schools Girls' Softball
Viking vs. Irma; Wainwright vs. Irma; Irma 16-4. Wainwright Public School Board cup.

High Schools Boys' Basketball
Irma vs. Wainwright; Irma vs. Viking; Irma 29-8. Edmonton Journal Coronation Cup.

High Schools Girls' Basketball
Wainwright vs. Viking; Viking vs. Irma; Irma 7-4. H. B. C. cup.

Public Schools Boys' Softball
Irma vs. Wainwright; Irma vs. Viking; Irma 30-5. Henry Bicks & Sons' cup.

Public Schools Girls' Softball
Irma vs. Viking; Viking vs. Wainwright; Wainwright 21-14. Viking School Board cup.

Public Schools Boys' Basketball
Irma vs. Viking; Irma vs. Wainwright; 25-2. Moyer School Supplies cup.

Public Schools Girls' Basketball
Irma vs. Wainwright; Irma vs. Viking; Irma 4-0. Irma Public School Board cup.

The rural schools softball cup, donated by the Kinsella business men, was won after four games by the Poplar Hill school. This school also won the T. Eaton cup for basketball.

relatively small estate.
His largest philanthropy was \$182,704,624 to start the Rockefeller Foundation, chartered "to promote the welfare of mankind in all parts of the world." Other great gifts were for education, for medical research, and to universities.

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National Radio Program

A canvass of radio fans throughout the prairie provinces, if such a survey could be made reasonably representative of very diverse views, would undoubtedly reveal a mixed reception for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's plans, recently announced by L. W. Brockington, K.C., chairman of the board of governors of that institution, following its only meeting held outside of Ottawa to date.

Some of the plans announced at the close of the Regina sitting have undoubtedly caused disappointment. On the other hand some of them will meet with majority approval. There may be some who will see no good in anything that the Corporation proposes to do and it is quite possible there are a few who are ready to accept the announced program in toto and with every evidence of complete approval.

For the average "listener-in", who is not too discriminating, and that probably covers the majority, however, the objectives of the three-year program, which includes construction of four high-powered broadcasting stations in the period, two in the east, one on the prairies and one in the maritimes, as well as other improvements, have something of merit, though some phases of the plans are disappointing.

It is disappointing, for instance, to find that nothing is likely to be done towards the construction of a 50,000 watt station in the west for at least a couple of years, while Ontario and Quebec, whose people have access to a number of good, high-powered stations on both sides of the international boundary carrying excellent programs, are to be served immediately with two such stations, as quickly as they can be built.

In the western provinces there are a good many "blind spots" which are now either not reached at all by good programs or only spasmodically. Until the proposed new national high-powered western station is constructed they will have to continue to go without a service or have to be satisfied with a doubtful one.

It is a matter for congratulation that during the past year or two there has been a gradual but quite perceptible improvement in the quality of the programs broadcast on the national chain, whether due to the change in administration or for some other reason, but this improvement only serves to accentuate the disappointment in the delay in bringing these programs to the door of everyone on the prairies able to own a receiving set. In view of the recent improvement in the programs there will also be approval for the announcement of the intention to extend the C.B.C. service from its present six hours schedule to 12 and perhaps 16 hours a day, always provided, of course, that wave band agreements which may be made, will not confine the owner of the receiving set to one source for his entertainment and instruction.

As already stated, the quality of the programs broadcast over the national chain has materially improved, but that does not mean there is not room for further improvement. There is yet a substantial gap to be bridged before these programs can be classified with some of the best to be heard on the U.S. chains. For this reason the announcement of the intention to arrange for more exchanges of programs will be generally welcomed in the Canadian west. For the same reason, the average western radio fan still desires not only to retain what selective right conflicting radio bands permit him, but is anxious that interference should be further reduced. This question of interference is still one of the greatest grievances of the listeners-in on the prairies.

Possibly when the C.B.C. can offer programs of its own to match the best that is produced on the other side of the international boundary, prairie owners of receiving sets will not be so much concerned with interference of reception from other stations. If expense which cannot be met out of revenue stands in the way, the Canadian Corporation might well consider the advisability of embarking in the commercial field, at least in an experimental way and with safeguards against abuse by advertising media.

One of the proposals of the C.B.C. which should be received with approval on all hands is the announced intention to set up a school for radio announcers.

While there has been a marked improvement in announcing on both sides of the international boundary in the past two or three years, resulting in the disappearance of some of the worst crudities to which listeners were subjected, in the use—or should it be abuse?—of the king's English, pronunciation and diction, to say nothing of modulation of voice, there is in this field also, scope for betterment. A school for announcers, properly conducted should do much to iron out some remaining objectionable features indulged in by some announcers on occasion.

By and large, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, shows that it has some ideas, and that is something for which appreciation should be expressed.

An educated syrup pot has been invented by Clyde Mustion, Oshkosh, Mo. When the lid descends after you pour the syrup, Mustion's pitcher wipes itself with a wad of tissue attached to the lid.

Upon being created a Knight of the Garter, a man must wear part of the insignia of the order day and night. Most of the knights wear the silver badge of the order during their sleep.

The unluckiest card in a pack of playing cards is the eight of spades, according to superstition. Napoleon Bonaparte ascribed his defeats to its influence.

"Once a road is laid down properly," says a building expert, "it shouldn't be taken up in a hurry." It isn't; the authorities spend months and months on the job.

Losses Were Lighter

Freight Car Robbers Not As Successful Last Year

Raids by swooping bandits on U.S. passenger trains did not long survive their most eminent practitioner, Jesse James. Much different in technique are the raids still made on freight trains.

Freight car robbers work often on moving trains, choose sparsely settled country where a highway runs beside the tracks. Swinging off from box car roofs on rope ladders, they break the seals on the doors, climb in and toss out everything they can lay their hands on. Confederates in trucks pick up the loot.

The Association of American Railroads reported that claims resulting from freight car thefts in the U.S. and Canada totalled \$688,792 in 1935, lowest for any year on record. Biggest losses were in coal and coke, stolen not only by organized gangs but by individuals who needed fuel.

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"Can I interest you in our new gas stove, madam? I've just sold one to your neighbour."—II 420 Florence.

Has Had Many Adventures

Many Sensations Provided For World By Sir Herbert Wilkins. Sir Herbert Wilkins, who has had applications from 4,000 people anxious to accompany him on a submarine journey to the North Pole, is probably the most adventurous living Australian.

For many years he has periodically provided sensations for the world in feats of daring and endurance. Born at Mount Bryan East, South Australia, in 1888, at twenty he set out on a round-the-world voyage which took him to 26 countries. Already an enterprising camera-man, he was signed on by a Parisian firm as newswall photographer at \$10,000 a year while still a minor. When he was 24 he became photographic correspondent with a division of responsibilities which is actually suited to present conditions with the social services and other problems that have come along in recent years.

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Train Pilots In Vancouver

Reported Men Chosen For New Trans-Canada Air Line Will Be Trained At Coast City

The Vancouver Daily Province in a newspaper story said it had learned pilots chosen for the new trans-Canada air line will be trained in Vancouver this summer.

The paper said that by fall it was believed there will be "sufficient trained personnel to operate the Lethbridge-Winnipeg branch of the trans-Canada line."

Although Major D. R. MacLaren, appointed to the administrative staff of the new line, has made no official announcement, the paper said it was "understood" the line would take over the Vancouver-Seattle air mail route and two planes now owned by Canadian Airways, Ltd.

Synthetic Rubber

To Be Manufactured In London On A Large Scale

Much interest has been aroused in commercial, scientific, and industrial circles by the recent announcement that synthetic rubber is to be manufactured on a considerable scale for the first time in this country.

The new material, whose chief compounds are coal, limestone, and rock salt, is to be called "moprene," and its production is to be in the hands of Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd.—London Observer.

Champion Letter Writer

Algernon Bennet Ashton, who styled himself the "champion letter writer to the British Press," died recently, aged 77. He had other recreations besides the 2,000 letters he had published since 1909. He liked looking at ancient buildings; criticizing modern buildings; listening to debates in the House of Commons and billiards, draughts, chess and cards.

Broke A Precedent

The Duchess of Hamilton, one of Queen Mother Mary's friends, broke a precedent at the coronation. She was the only duchess not wearing ermine. It was a gesture in her campaign against trapping fur-bearing animals. She wore rabbit instead.

Dominion And Provinces

People Of Different Sections Should Try To Pull Together

In approaching the large question of the relations of the Dominion and the Provinces, as the country is doing now, everything depends upon the adoption by Canadians of a realistic, practical-minded attitude and appreciation of the great benefit that will accrue from clearing away the confusion that has existed for years and deciding upon a division of responsibilities which is actually suited to present conditions with the social services and other problems that have come along in recent years.

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Intelligence Not Impaired

Woman With Half Brain Has Superior Adult Mind

A 38-year-old Pittsburgh woman with only half a brain has learned in six months to do nearly everything she once could do when she had a whole brain.

With the half brain she rates an "intelligence quotient" of 115, on the Stanford-Binet scale. This is the mark of a superior adult mind and equals her once whole mind.

Her case, due to a recent operation in which the entire right brain hemisphere was removed, was reported to the American Psychiatric Association by Dr. Stuart N. Rowe of Pittsburgh.

She does not readily recall events since the operation but she remembers perfectly telephone numbers and addresses she knew before.

Usually Come High

Whatever The Outcome Strikes Are Very Costly Times

An observer estimates that the automobile strikes in Michigan cost a total of \$477,000,000. Of this amount \$267,000,000 represented automobiles scheduled for construction; \$45,000,000 in wages lost by workers; industries supplying glass, wheels, and other equipment lost \$137,000,000. Then there was the direct levy upon the State of Michigan and the various communities amounting to \$1,929,000 in extra relief costs. National Guard maintenance and lost sales taxes. Merchants and storekeepers, it is estimated, lost around \$18,800,000 in sales. Regardless of the cause or the outcome, strikes are costly undertakings.

February, on the average, is London's least rainy month, while October is the rainiest.

"Wrestling is an excellent aid to health," says a writer, "A grapple a day keeps the doctor away."

A REVOLUTION IN THE KITCHEN

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Sees Famine In Future

Scientists Warn That United States Must Adopt Soil Fertility Measures

Scientists on a works progress administration soil inventory project concluded that agriculture in the United States must "die of its own neglect" within 200 years and "the population follow suit" unless soil fertility measures are instituted.

The project, which state WPA Administrator William H. J. Ely said he believed was the first of its kind in the world, is directed by Dr. Jacob C. Lipman, chief of the division of soils and crops at the New Jersey agricultural experiment station at New Brunswick.

Using soil samples from 48 states to determine chemical resources, the WPA workers calculated that nitrogen, vital to plant life, will be exhausted from the soil within 224 years, sulphur will have disappeared by 2062, and "the eventual result will be a China-like famine in the richest country in the world."

"The soil nutrient losses were blamed on erosion, leaching (the action of water seeping through the earth); harvesting, livestock, burning and the rapid oxidation of organic matter in the soil."

Not Hard To Do

Writing An Advertisement Does Not Require Any Great Skill

The remark is frequently made by merchants, that they believe in advertising, but they do not know just how to write an effective ad. To which the reply is simple, that it does not take any particular skill to write a good selling notice. Of course, a clever writer may do somewhat better than others, but in the main what the public wants is information about goods, not smart wit and selling stunts.

If a merchant will simply tell the facts which in his opinion make certain goods a bargain, and give the prices of the goods, those simple things are enough to constitute a good advertisement. They interest the public, which is always looking for value. The description of any bargain is as interesting as any news in the newspapers.—Sarnia Canadian Observer.

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If the house trailer has done nothing more it has put the country on a cash basis, at least for groceries. No merchant is going to depend on a backfire to warn him that a delinquent creditor is stealing away. You may have your belongings on credit, but you will pay cash for the bacon, if you live in a trailer.



At grocers, druggists, stationers and departmental stores.

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Never dissolve lye in hot water. The action of the lye itself heats the water.

THE YELLOW BRIAR

A Story of the Irish on the Canadian Countryside

By PATRICK SLATER

By arrangement with Thomas Allen, Publisher, Toronto.

CHAPTER V.—Continued

"Cry out and shout, O thou inhabitant of Zion!" thundered Rev. Mr. Richardson, as he strode up and down the platform, as was his wont on such a precious, soul-stirring occasion, clapping his hands together and exulting in the victory which was bringing many under an awakening by which their souls were saved. For him, the moment was fully impregnated with heavenly joy.

The surge of feeling waxed stronger and stronger. A small, stately Irishman, who kept a cobbler's shop on King Street, threw off his coat; and, with arms uplifted, he rushed about pointing penitent sinners to Christ, and pouring out strong cries and tears on their behalf. Wherever he observed a soul hesitating, off he went down the aisle to implore him to seek the blessed balm for his poor, anxious heart, and the joy that is full of glory. The meeting got quite out of control, with men and women exhorting and singing to diverse tunes.

Signs and wonders marked the hour. All were filled and spake with power.

The slain of the Lord were many. "Do you think, Willie, all those poor converts will stay put?" Nancy asked her escort, as they walked slowly homeward after the exciting service had broken up.

"No," Marshall admitted, "there are always some backsliders."

"I thought folk must grow in grace by good works," the girl remarked, as she mulled the thing over in her mind.

No, William was not of that opinion. He was as serious as the grave in discussing the matter.

"It is by a stroke of divine grace," he told the girl, "that a soul is saved from original sin. At the penitent bench, in sincere contrition, the soul of a Christian is born, again, full grown as it ever will be."

"Just as the butterfly," he ex-

plained, "is as big when first hatched as it ever will be."

Marshall quoted John Wesley as an authority that sanctification is an instantaneous work.

Nancy spoke of Martin, the cobbler, expressing surprise at the church work he was doing. "That little Irishman was right on his knees praying for me!" If he had kept at it a little while longer," said Nancy, "it's a Methodist girl you'd be getting, William, for your wife."

Which remark brought the first tidings of a great joy to William Marshall. Mr. John Trueman married off his daughter Nancy a few days afterwards; and, in getting William and Nancy dove-tailed together, he felt that he had won a splendid victory. In truth, it was a series of stormy defeats so far as his pocket-book was concerned; but in his mind's eye he had actually dragged his child to the altar, and married her off in spite of her teeth. Nancy was stubborn and wayward to the last. She refused to dress for the wedding ceremony unless she was supplied with a new set of corsets.

Nancy left home with more than the love-light in her eyes; she had silver, gear, and counted kins. I know all these things well because old Mrs. William Marshall used to chuckle about them, as she sat knitting by the kitchen table where I write. Her voice was still sweet and low, but the blooming Nancy was now a pale-faced old woman, and her scanty hair was grey. She declared the only thing she forgot to get out of John Trueman was a cradle. But then William, as she said, was always handy. He made their first one out of a sap-trough. Now, an old woman, with dimples and as sweet as that, I know she smiled in her sleep at the strange young girl who came with eyes like her own to bring her the yellow flowers.

CHAPTER VI.

The fat grey squirrel scolded me down into a sweet beulah land on that bright September morning. Everybody about the Marshall farm seemed cheerful and friendly-like. And I had my name in the family pot. Assuredly things are picking up for any Donegal lad if his share of the food comes on the table without the asking.

The log shanty the Marshall boys had put up in the fall of 1838 was now an L-shaped lean-to, in front of which stood a stout log house with a large kitchen occupying most of the ground floor, a general purpose room in which the family meals were laid. In a nook across the end of it stood a stone fireplace with pots and hooks for the cooking utensils. On the hearth glowed the embers of a fire, petted and tended with as constant a care as the sacred flame in an ancient temple. Lucifer matches were things known of in 1847—but as expensive luxuries, and not for the likes of a backwoods farmer. A dead fire in that hearth at the break of day was an awkward household incident, as provoking, indeed, to the

good woman as butter that would not come in a churning. Woe's me! The day's work on the entire farm marked time waiting the slow-seeming return of a pall galloped off to a neighbor's to borrow live coals for the makings. So to this day we say to a neighbor who refuses a chair that it must be a firing he had come for.

By the kitchen window stood the spinning wheel and near at hand the reel; and, hour in and hour out, could be heard on the wide, yellow floorboards the steady tap-tap of a woman's feet as she moved backward and forward, humming softly to herself and spinning out the yarn, which, as a perfect life would be, was an even spun thread alike throughout. The outer door of the kitchen had a lower and upper section, as stable doors have to-day, a most handy wrinkle about a farm house, the lower section keeping the little children in and the pigs and poultry out; while the upper section might swing open to let freshness and sunshine in. On the inside of the door was a heavy iron latch wrought by the local smith. Fastened to it was a leather thong; and in the daytime this whang was poked out through a hole, that the door might be opened from the outside. At night, it was pulled in; and everything was snug and secure. A latch string hanging out was the token of hospitality in those days. Behind the kitchen lay two small rooms in constant use by Mr. and Mrs. Marshall and the small children; but one of these chambers was dolled up with wondrous feather ticks and blossomed out on the occasion of a visit as the spare bedroom that stood idle awaiting a guest. An open stairway led from the kitchen to the loft, which was partitioned into sleeping quarters.

The Marshall farm was indeed a grand place; but, somehow, I felt like a visitor there. In a home there is regular work for one to do and plenty of it. And I was just loafing. After a few days, Mr. Marshall and a friendly chat with me. He told me I was a good little boy and that I was very welcome. But it would be better for me, he said, if we could find a place for me with a family who needed a boy, having none of their own, and where I would have a home to grow up in.

"You know, Patrick," he said to me, "your father, Catholics, and I think you would perhaps be better living in a good Catholic family where you would get religious instruction in the home from your own kind of people and grow up into a fine man."

He told me he never faulted the Catholics himself, seeing his own people had once been Catholics for many hundred years. A fellow, he told me, should have a sincere faith and stick hard to it. If folk started to shifting round from one faith to another, they ended by having no religion at all. And perhaps there was salt in his conversation.

He mentioned a man by the name of Martin Kelly who lived in an Irish-Catholic settlement down in Albion Township. The family were childless and hailed from County Longford. The man was a cobbler; and he had heard they were looking for a young boy. The place might suit me first rate. He would enquire further about it; and we might drive over some afternoon and see them. And the end of it was I went over to live with Martin Kelly—him with the game leg.

At Mr. Kelly's place, my day's work started with the dawn; and I wrought as hard as any sinner for the living I got there.

"Hi, there, Paddy! Spilling tapper! tumble too!" Martin would shout, meanwhile sprawling in comfort himself on a settle-bed forminat the hearth, and beating an old pan with a stick he always kept convenient to his hand. That brought me down promptly from the loft, to quicken into a blaze the smouldering embers on the hearth, and then he away through the bush, calling: "Co-boss! co-boss!" in search of the cows.

The Kelly house was a small log cabin standing in an acre lot on the third line of Albion, near the corner they now call Lockton. Close at hand behind the house stood the stable with a pigsty leaning against it. From a neighbor, Martin Kelly got the grass for two cows; and it was my duty, night and morning, to bring them up from the clearing to milk them, and then drive them back again. The cows had no fancy for the long tramp, and one morning I caught the old one, Lizzie, the sly devil, hiding on me with her neck stretched out on the ground to keep her bell from tinkling. She was a dryish strapper; and the other one, the O'Leary heifer, was also slackening in her milking. I thought it would have been all right for me to take the pail down and milk the cow in the pasture; but Mrs. Kelly had a strongly set notion to the contrary, she, good woman, being wishful to see all the milk they were

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giving. So up to the milking baween, I drove the Kelly cows twice daily; but I had a wooden saptrough hidden back in the bush that helped matters out with my belly. Martin declared that bush to be infested with milk snakes that sucked the cows' teats.

"Och hone, Machree (Alas, my heart)," cried Mrs. Kelly, "Jimmy O'Leary's curse, it is, that is drying up the milk of the cows!"

All the day long, Martin sat by the kitchen window, bending over his last. His forehead had a deft way of gobbling handfuls of pees with a curious clicking snap; and the quantities of snuff he took kept his nostrils as dusty as any man's at a clover thrashing. Yet I never knew him to sneeze. To his customers, Martin's breath always smelled strongly of blarney. A very agreeable man he was with the women and children who came to his place on business errands. They did be glammed with his taking ways.

"Ah! faith, Mrs. Wray," he would wheedle, "squinting out a great spile of tobacco, 'It is a grand job I'll be making of the brogues. Dennis will be pleased with them."

"And what will you be charging the man?" Dennis's wife would enquire.

"Well now, Mrs. Wray," Martin would confide to her after a weighty pause, "if it were any other woman's husband, I would be charging him one and six. But seeing it is you, and a fine girl, indeed, you were—and from the Golden Vale itself—faith all I'll be charging the man is a mere nothing at all, at all—just the trifle of two bits."

"Ah! you old devil!" the woman would cry out with a sarcastic tilt of her nose. "None of the neighbors be knowing at all, the wonder of the world how you do be keeping a roof over your head—you do be giving away so much!"

(To Be Continued)

London's Talking Clock

Tells Time Of Day To 200 Subscribers At Once

Before the World War any telephone "central" would tell you the time of day. In New York you now dial a number and a trained voice says mechanically, "When you hear the signal the time will be twelve twenty-five and a half."

Both Paris and London do better than this. In London, where a mechanical system was recently introduced, telephone subscribers dial T-I-M and are told the time of day by a gramophone. The sound record is driven by a motor which is synchronized with a pendulum clock corrected every hour from Greenwich. Different announcements are required for every ten seconds or 7,200 in all for twelve hours of civil time.

London's talking clock can tell 200 subscribers at once just what time of day it is. But if some souse tries to listen to the signals continuously he is cut off automatically after three minutes. Telephone engineers think of everything.—New York Times.

Factory Makes Frost

Equipment Tests Heaters in Cars And Windshield Defrosters

An automobile accessory factory in Columbus, Indiana, is going to make its own sub-zero weather, sleet and windstorms throughout the summer to test windshield defrosters and heaters. The equipment will provide a temperature as low as 30 degrees below zero. Water sprayed into the roof will provide the necessary conditions for sleet tests, and a blower system will produce the blizzards.

London's official regulations provide 400 questions, any or all of which a policeman may have to ask in case of a fatal road accident on his beat.

A poultry farmer states that the diet for fowls should be varied occasionally. But what if the man next door goes on sowing the same old seeds year after year? 2205

Taught Not To Quit

England's Gentlemen Do Not Include Word In Their Code

Howard Vincent O'Brien, in Chicago Daily News says England is not an easy land to understand. Coronation crowds for example, saw many gentlemen in top hats and morning coats, their breasts covered with decorations. Some of these gentlemen were old enough to carry medals from the Crimean and peninsular wars. They leaned heavily on their sticks and walked with the stiffness of age, but in their faces were the marks left by the habit of command. Beggars sang nasally and sentimentally in the side streets, and derelicts in rags made chalk pictures on the sidewalks, their caps stretched out for alms. But there was no hint of resentment or even envy for the "gentlemen."

It isn't hard to spot a "gentleman" in England. You can tell him, as Homer said you could tell a god-deck, by his walk. With the first words he utters he tells you whether he is just an ordinary person or the product of a school and college system which manufactures the ruling class of England. These men are steel under velvet. They talk in tired dry tones, in precise diction and with a habit of understatement. Seemingly all surface elegance, they are tough-core, having been taught from infancy to "take it." The world may crumble under foot, but these men, with their sticks and spats and chamois gloves, stand unchanged and unchangeable. Quitting is the one sin their code does not condone. That is why they rule the world and why the man in the street tips his hat to them. He knows his betters.

Valuable To Collectors

Any Copy Of Misprint Bibles Brings Good Sum

There are very few copies in existence of the "Wicked" Bible, an edition published in 1631. It is called wicked because the "not" was left out of one of the Ten Commandments by mistake. Other misprint Bibles which are becoming fewer and more valuable are:

The Breaches Bible, an English translation published in Geneva in 1560. Called the Breaches Bible because Gen. III, 7, reads, "and they sewed his leaves together and made themselves breaches." Instead of aprons.

The Murderers' Bible, an edition printed in 1801, so called because Jude, 16, reads, "These are murderers walking after their own lusts," instead of murmurers.

A very early edition was called the Printers' Bible, because Psalm CXIX, 161 was made to read, "Printers have persecuted me without a cause," instead of Priests.

In the Vinegar Bible, an Oxford edition (1717), the heading to Luke XX, reads, "Parable of the Vinegar," instead of Vineyard.

In the Wife-hater Bible, published in 1810, Luke XIV, 26, reads "If any man hate not his own wife," instead of life.

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Little Helps For This Week

Cast thy burden upon the Lord and He shall sustain thee: He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. Psalm 55:22.

Now our wants and burdens leaving, To His care who cares for all; Cease we fearing, cease we grieving, At His touch our burdens fall.

The circumstances of our lives we cannot alter, but we can take them to the Lord and leave the responsibility, and the worry and anxiety with Him. Although the same circumstances remain unchanged we shall be kept in perfect peace in the midst of them. If we abandon ourselves to the Lord and believe He will take care of all we commit to Him, our worry will cease and our lives become all sunshine in the gladness of belonging to Him.

Something To Think Over

Boys Of To-day Will Be Leaders In Future Years

What is a Boy? The person who is going to carry on what you have started. He is to sit where you are sitting and attend to things which you think are so important, when you are gone. You may adopt all the policies you please, but how they will be carried out depends upon him. Even if you make leagues and treaties, he will have to manage them. He will take your seat in Parliament, assume control of your cities, states and empires. He is going to move in and take over your churches, schools, universities, corporations, councils, and prisons. All your work is going to be judged and praised and condemned by him! The future and destiny of humanity are in his hands, so it might be well, to pay a little attention to him now.—Rotarian Magazine.

A million hives of honey bees destroy 25¢ any the bee experts. How has this happened? Scattering poisonous dust from airplanes to kill insects. Poison on the flower means death to the bees.

Sitting on a chair backwards is bad luck, according to a superstition of theatrical folk.

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CHIFFON HOSE

New sheer chiffon hose by Holeproof. Very fine even hose that have good strength for such light weight. New 1937 shades. **\$1**

PURE SILK ¾ HOSE

Holeproof ¾ service weight hose for the summer months. Nice new shades. All sizes **75c**

DRAPERY MATERIAL

A special in heavy rayon Repp, makes an ideal heavy curtain or side drape. Very pleasing color combinations. Per yard **19c**

TOWELS

Sturdy English kitchen towels; pleasing patterns; good heavy weight that will give service. Pr. **49c**

TOWELLING

Turkish towelling for roller towels or hand-made towels; nice patterns, good material. **19c 25c**

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The newest in boys' sport shirts; Waffle knit or Terry cloth; plain colors or smart new check designs by Ballentyne. All sizes and colors. Special, **69c** AND **79c**

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Popular does not say enough for these delightfully cool summer shirts; polo collar; smart patterns and designs by Ballentyne. Both plain and fancy patterns. Specially priced at **89c 98c**

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Smart new summer socks for men in light weight all-wool cashmeres. Cool, yet soft and easy on the feet. 1937 models in patterns and all colors. **55c** a pair. TWO Pair for **\$1**

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LOCALS

Dr. Richardson will be away for the entire month of June, taking a post graduate course in Seattle, Wash.

At the last meeting of the L.O.B.A. plans were made to run a series of Saturday night dances. The first was held last Saturday night in the lodge hall. A good crowd attended and seemingly enjoyed themselves. The next one comes on Saturday, June 12, and from then once a month, on the second Saturday of each month.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Fuder have moved into the rooms over their store.

Mrs. C. T. Hill and daughter Mrs. Hardy went to Edmonton the first of this week for a visit.

Work has been started on some improvements to the United church.

Mrs. W. Atkinson of Boston, Mass., accompanied by Mrs. E. A. Atkinson of Chatham, N.B., arrived last Sunday to spend some time with their brother and cousin, Mr. R. D. Smallwood and family.

Mr. G. A. Tripp left last Monday night on a six weeks' trip to his old home in Ontario.

The Irma Branch of the Canadian Legion held a meeting last Saturday evening and set July 7th as the date for their annual sports day.

The Alma Mater and Roseberry Ladies' Aid are holding a tea at the home of Mrs. Williamson on the evening of June 17. Come prepared for a game of softball or croquet. A silver collection will be taken to be used towards balancing the budget up to June 30. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

The McCormick-Deering free show and dance held in Irma on May 26 was very well attended. Kiefer's hall being packed to the doors. The pictures were very interesting and instructive.

A number of Irma folks took in the Jarro celebration on Wednesday.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Municipal District of Battle River 423

The Municipal District of Battle River No. 423 have the following lands for disposal and may be leased from the District at a price set by order in council at their meeting on June 10, 1937.

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S. E. 2-44-9.

Dated at Irma, Alta., this 1st day of June, 1937.

Chas. Wilbrough, Sec.-Treas.,
M.D. Battle River, No. 423,
Irma, Alberta.

SEARLE GRAIN CO., FABYAN, WEEKLY RAINFALL REPORT

Week Ending May 28th	inches
Friday	0
Saturday	0
Sunday37
Monday	0
Tuesday	0
Wednesday31
Thursday15
Total rainfall from April 1 to date	2.78 inches. Same period last year .85 inches.

It will be noted the rainfall last year for the same period is considerable below that of this year.

Local precipitation last year was considerable below that of the 10-year average, being only 7.28 inches from April 1st to October 31st.

For Job Printing see E. W. Carter.

The World of Wheat

By H. G. L. Strange, Director,
Research Department, Searle
Grain Company, Limited

The eyes of the wheat world at this moment are gazing anxiously at the crops now growing in the United States and Canada.

The yield of the Canadian crop will depend mainly upon the rain that fell last fall, and that, in addition will fall during the present growing season.

If this precipitation should be up to the average, then the Western wheat crop will probably be of average size. (With certain allowances, of course, for damage from hail, insects, plant diseases, etc.)

What is the rainfall situation at this moment? Records from hundreds of rain gauges indicate that for Manitoba the total average precipitation, fall and growing season combined, now is 33 per cent of normal, for Saskatchewan 66 per cent normal, and for Alberta 84 per cent normal.

All this means that better than average rains will soon have to occur if an average crop is to be harvested. There is, however, still time for good rainfall to take place to overcome the deficiency, for the wheat plant does not begin to call for abundant moisture until after the middle of June. From that time forth, however, until harvest, its demands can only be described as prodigious.

The following factors have tended to raise price: Smaller winter wheat acreage many European countries; Private Indian wheat estimates reduced; Excessive moisture several European countries; Rains still needed in Argentina; Dry weather delays field work in Australia; Holland purchases Roumanian, Turkish and Argentine barley; Uruguay abolishes wheat import duty; Morocco prohibits its soft wheat exports.

The following factors have tended to lower price:—Rains improve Canadian and U. S. crops; Decrease in European buying power and in demand; Russian spring seeding ahead of last year; Wheat harvest begins and deliveries made in U. S. south-west; France arranges wheat exports; Ethiopian crops satisfactory and larger out-turns anticipated.

LADIES' AID MEETING

The May meeting of the Ladies Aid was held at the home of Mrs. Askin Sr. The fact that it was the 13th of the month did not detract from the success of the meeting socially or in a business way.

Mrs. Frickleton occupied the chair and conducted business concerning the fall bazaar, the month's ways and means of making money and the play to be put on in the future. Mrs. Reeds led the devotionals, the theme being "God shall have Dominion." Mrs. Peterson handled the subject, "Coronation," in a very interesting way, depicting the various colorful ceremonies, the significance of the emblems and the place religion played. At the close Mrs. Askin served a very dainty luncheon, the pleasure being heightened by the fact we were also celebrating a birthday. Meeting closed until June when it will be held at Mrs. Jas. Fenton's. All members are asked to attend.

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The track-testing car of the C.N.R. stopped for some hours at Viking on Monday. This car valued at some \$20,000 has eyes and ears, far more efficient than any human. It will detect hidden cracks or flaws in rails, mark them with paint, and at the same time record the fact on a diagram in the car, as a double check. This testing apparatus has proven its value, and now forms part of the regular inspection features of the great Canadian railway. It adds greatly to safe travel, detecting those hidden flaws which develop into accidents on other railways.

BASEBALL

(From The Viking News)
Viking's newly organized team won the first two games against Irma, both games being good and close, well played and interesting. Some good fielding and batting was shown, also some high class pitching was shown by Fitzmaurice after a couple of years of idleness. He's still got the old zip. Following is the line-up and summary of first game:

Name	A.B.	R.	H.	E.
G. Ash 2-B	3	0	0	1
Elgie 3-B	3	1	2	1
Fitzmaurice P 1-B	1	1	0	0
Ross R.F. 1-B	3	0	1	0
Dobry C.F.	3	0	0	0
Finn S. S.	3	1	1	7
Ronnigan L.F.	3	1	1	0
G. McLaren C.	1	0	1	0
Young P.	2	0	0	0
Kortzman C.	1	0	0	0

Summary: Three B. H. Elgie 1, 2 B. H. Elgie 1, Finn 1, Ronnigan 1, McLaren 1, Hits off Young 4 in 5 innings, struck out 3, double play Dobry to Fitzmaurice.

Score by Innings:	Runs	Hits	Errors
Irma	2	4	0
Viking	4	7	2

Name	A.B.	R.	H.	E.
Finn S. S.	2	0	0	0
Hardy L. F.	4	0	0	0
Fitzmaurice P.	2	0	1	0
Kortzman C.	4	2	2	0
L. Slavik R.F. 1-B	2	1	0	0
Jones 1-B-R.F. 3	1	2	0	0
Dobry C.F.	2	0	0	0
R. McLaren 3-B	3	1	2	1
V. Slavik 2-B	3	0	1	2
Elgie S.S.	2	0	1	2

Summary: 2 B. H. Kortzman 1, Jones 1, struck out by Fitzmaurice, 5 in 5 innings, hit allowed 2, Hits of Young 4 in 2 innings B.B. 1.

Score:	Runs	Hits	Errors
Irma	5	6	2
Viking	7	10	5

Next ball game at Viking will be June 6th, at 2:30 o'clock. Killam vs. Viking.

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